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Happy Christmas

from Deddington news

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There will be no January issue. Our next copy date is FRIDAY 27th JANUARY 1978 for the February issue.

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COVER NOTE:

For our Christmas cover this month we asked Mr. Duxbury, the Primary School headmaster if the children could depict their idea of Christmas. From a short list of 10 paintings from all age groups, we chose this superb Santa drawn and lettered by 6 - year old Elizabeth Dew, a Class II pupil who lives at Castle Barns, Castle Street. Our thanks to all the teachers and children who contributed; we hope it was fun and that we will be able to do it again. The short listed pictures can be seen on display at the School up to the end of term on December 21st.

As always, our grateful thanks to the advertisers, organisations and individuals who provide the financial support to keep the News going, and to all who send in reports and contributions - you are Deddington News after all.

Jill, Moya, Bridget, Jackie, Mary and Monica wish you the compliments of the season - or otherwise a cool yule! May Christmas be all you would wish and may 1978 bring peace and happiness.

CHRISTMAS TREASURE TROVE

TUESDAY 27th DECEMBER 11.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.

Why not walk off that excess Turkey and Plum Pudding consumption as a family? We are organising an exciting Treasure Trove round the Parish on the day after Boxing Day. You will be invited to solve a number of clues, all within walking distance in the local area.

A knowledge of your Parish will help. Some clues will be obvious, others more difficult. The start point will be Tuckers Stores at 11.00 a.m. Each entry will be timed and the winner will be the entrant back at the start point in the shortest time with the most correct answers.

Tuckers Stores are kindly giving a prize. The winner will be notified by the judges. Bring a pen or pencil to complete your entry form.

Peter Cannel and Bill Drake

1st DEDDINGTON GUIDES

This has been a quiet month at Guides. We were involved in a District Coffee morning, arranged by Mrs. Fergusson at Castle Farm. A big thank you to her for all her hard work, and £45 was raised, for District funds - some finds its way back to us!

The Guides have been getting down to badge work and a local challenge now the evenings are dark and long. We had a good attendance at the Remembrance Parade, and we were proud of their smart appearance!

We are looking forward to joining with Brownies and Cubs for a panto visit on 2 January (does Chipping Norton know what it is letting itself in for!) Report next issue.

Can we wish all our friends a very happy Christmas.

Jenny Jones

DEDDINGTON PLAYGROUP

Deddington Playgroup held a very successful Christmas Bazaar on Saturday November 19th, raising over £100. The winner of the hamper was Mrs. Tombs from Hempton and the Christmas cake went to Mr. Nunn of Banbury. A free list of raffle prize winners can be seen at the playgroup.

Many thanks to all who donated to the raffle and the Bazaar and also thanks to Father Christmas for coming and seeing so many children during his busy time! Our last event of the year will be the children's party during the last week of term.

Kath Morris

DEDDINGTON MOTHERS AND TODDLERS GROUP

Plans are going ahead for our final meeting of the year, on Monday 12 December. We'll be having a Christmas party then for the children, with lots to eat - and Father Christmas has promised to call in to round off the jollifications! We'll need to know numbers by December 5th - so please let us know by then if you want to come.

We'll meet again in the New Year on Monday January 16th. Happy Christmas to you all - and here's hoping Father Christmas isn't either too busy or too broke to enjoy the festivities!!

Bridget Macgregor

1st DEDDINGTON SCOUT GROUP

We would like to thank everyone for their support at our Tupperware Party. Our football team is still at the top of the League thanks to Percy Stratford and the Parents who help with transport etc. Thanks must also be extended to everyone who continues to save waste paper for our collection.

Our next event is a Dance at Barford Village Hall on Friday, 9th December. Hope to see you there! We would like to wish everyone a happy Christmas.

A. R. Welford, Group Scout Leader

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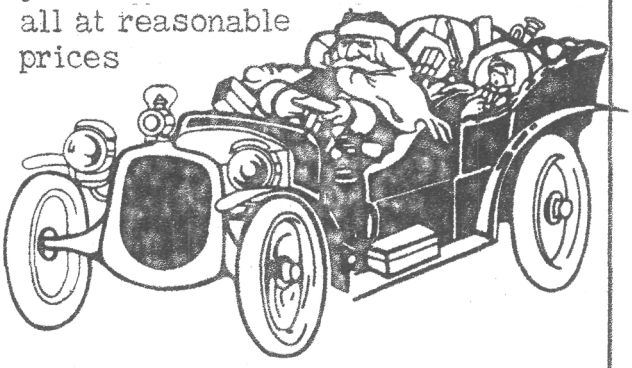

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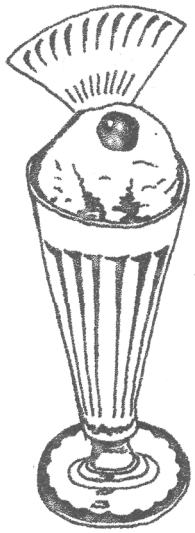

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The Annual Fund raising event was held on Saturday 29 October at the Windmill School Hall and can be considered a success. Cheese, pâté and wine were included with the ticket and there were side attractions such as a produce stall, tombola, bar etc.

As an entertainment for the evening a talent contest was held which three groups sportingly entered: Karen O'Neill sang folk songs accompanied by her elder sister Stella on the guitar, which was most attractive to listen to; Mrs. Vivien Edmonds did a very amusing skit and recited her own poetry; the winning entry was an 18th century tableau presented by Mrs. Elizabeth Ware.

Suzanne Allan

DEDDINGTON BROWNIES

The coffee morning held at Mrs. Fergusson's house on November 8th raised £45.00, We are most grateful to all who came and supported us to raise this splendid amount, and we would like to thank Mrs. Fergusson once again for her generosity and hospitality. Half the money went directly to the Guide Company and Brownie Pack, and the other half to help other Units in Deddington District.

The Brownies would like to invite anybody who is interested to their Entertainment on Tuesday 6th December at the Windmill School Hall at 5.45 - particularly past and future Brownies. It will only be very short, and then there will be refreshments afterwards, but we hope that all who come will enjoy themselves.

Vivien P. Bouverie

W. I. NEWS

At our November meeting we welcomed Mrs. Sheila Stewart who spoke to us about "County Courtship". We were shown a collection of beautiful love tokens and we heard some amusing stories about courtship over the years. Mrs. Stewart has written three books, her latest entitled "County Courtship". Mrs. Ward won the old-fashioned gadget competition with a folding wooden bootjack.

£35.78p was raised for the Arthritis and Rheumatism Council for Research by members who held a 'Knit-in'.

Our Christmas party is on December 13th with catering by Blue Peach. Competition: Christmas Decoration. The Deddington W. I. take this opportunity to wish everyone a very merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Ann Bowen

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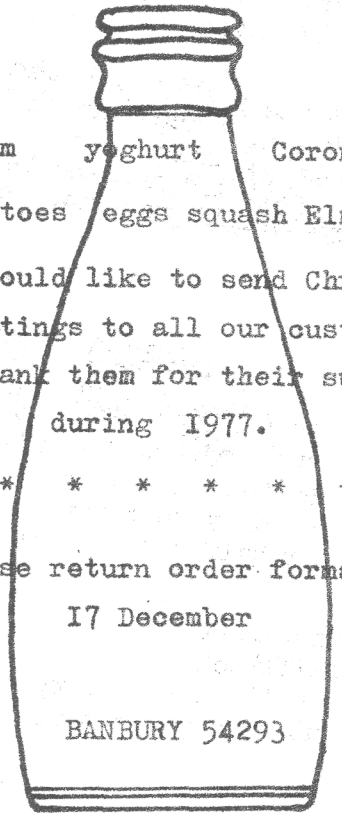

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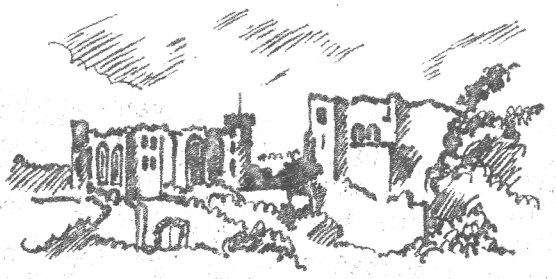

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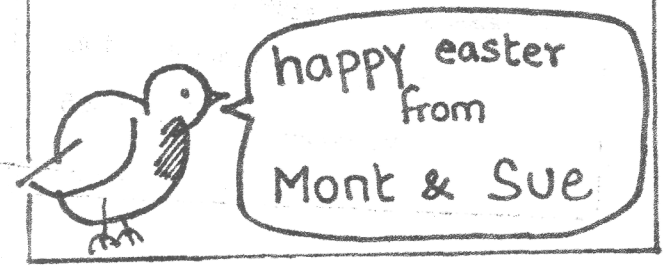

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CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS

Thursday 15th December	7.15 in Church. Church School Christmas Play.
Sunday 18th December	10.30 Service of Lessons and Carols.
	6.30 Carol Service at Nether Worton.
CHRISTMAS EVE	11.30 p.m. Holy Communion (Midnight Mass)
CHRISTMAS DAY	8.0 Holy Communion 9.0 Holy Communion at St. John's Hempton 10.30 Service with Carols around Christmas Crib (Specially suitable for children)

FAURE'S REQUIEM: Besides many messages of congratulation for those who took part in the singing of this work, I received the following letter:- "We want to thank you so much for the wonderful service you arranged. It was so uplifting and so beautifully carried out".

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY: The collection at the service was £42.07. This has now been sent to the Earl Haig Fund. You may be interested to know that the number at the service and the collection was very much greater than ever before.

THE CROSSES: The crosses from the first World War have often been mentioned in books about Oxfordshire Churches, for they are a most unusual feature - almost unique. When the north door was taken away, and the porch was incorporated into our Church, with a new door made by Mr. Michael O'Neill, we thought we might move the crosses there, but the more we thought about this, the less we liked the notion. Where they are, they are a stark reminder of the horror of war, so we have finally decided to leave them. Mr. Douglas Ward has fixed them more securely, and those which were behind the curtain in the choir vestry have been removed and put where they can be seen, and the memorial which was in Clifton Church has also been fixed on the wall. We are most grateful to Douglas Ward for the many jobs he does for us of this nature.

CONFIRMATION GROUP: Are there any adults or younger people who wish to be confirmed at Deddington on Thursday the 16th February by the Bishop of Oxford?

EASTER PLAY: The Easter Play which is called 'THE FAMILY' will be presented in Church on Saturday the 11th March and on Sunday the 12th March. Produced by Mrs. Jean Ward with a cast who are already rehearsing, we have many others who are helping us with back stage work and the business side of the play.

THE RINGERS: A quarter peal (1260 changes) of Plain Bob Doubles was rung half-muffed on Sunday 13th November before the Remembrance Day service. Treble - F. Ivings. 2 J. Plumbe. 3 W. Cowley. 4 R. Plumbe. 5 W. Ivings (conductor). Tenor - D. Berry.

DISCUSSION GROUP: Two discussions have been held on the subject:- 'What sort of society do we want to live in', and it was interesting to see what measure of agreement there was with a survey taken of some 6,000 people under the age of thirty, with the same question. In the answers, the following headings were found:-

a. A home for everyone
b. Help for those who cannot help themselves
c. The promotion of spiritual, mental and physical good health.

When asked for the foundations for such a society, the following seven were put forward:-

1. Loving God
2. Caring for every individual
3. Building united families
4. Creating peaceful communities
5. Working in harmony
6. Promoting education towards truth
7. Using resources responsibly.

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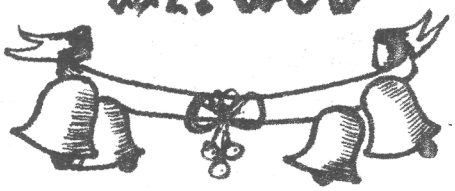

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And lay unmelting on his stetson's brim.
One hand was almost frozen on the rein -
The other touched the good horse under him.
The unrelenting snow was now hock deep
And sleep was what they wanted - sleep and sleep.

Striving to keep awake and see the time,
He moved his horse below the tree clad slope
And fumbling with icy fingers, lit a match -
Midnight and Christmas Eve and now - no hope
Of help or rescue even that of light
If horse and man lived through this desperate night.

Then suddenly the snow began to clear
He saw the trees and wonderingly a star.
The wind dropped, and for the first time Fear
Who'd ridden at his shoulder left for good
For down the valley, not too far away
He heard a church bell welcome Christmas Day.

E. Vivien Edmonds

HELP WANTED

Are you fond of children? Could you spare 2 hours of your time on some Wednesday mornings during the school term? Deddington Adult Education Centre needs helpers for a creche run at the Windmill School from 10 a.m. to 12 noon on Wednesdays for the children (under 5 years) of mothers attending a pottery class.

If you can help please contact Kate Shilvock, 12 Bradshaw Close, Steeple Aston, tel. S. Aston 47458. N.B. There is always a resident supervisor, so you wouldn't be alone in looking after the children.

DEDDINGTON LADIES

In spite of an earlier power-cut and pouring rain, our Christmas Fayre on 2nd November was extremely successful. Thank-you to everyone who turned out to support us on a really miserable night.

The proceeds from this Fayre will go towards our annual Old Folks Christmas Party to be held on 3rd December in the Wesleyan Hall. Our entertainers are putting th finishing touches to their show, to be performed at the Party.

Merry Christmas to everyone!

Maggie Rampley (Secretary)

OXFORDSHIRE AND BERKSHIRE GOAT KEEPERS' FEDERATION

A 'butterfat testing' evening has been arranged for Thursday, 8th December at 7.30 p.m. at the North Oxfordshire Technical College - Department of Agriculture.

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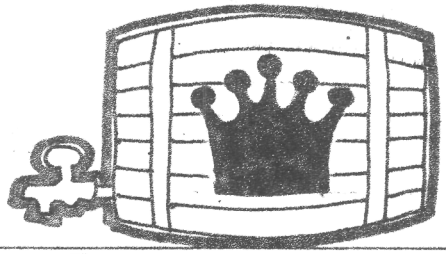

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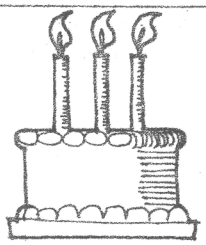

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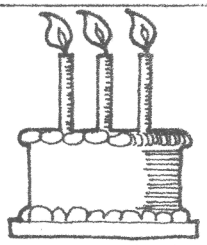

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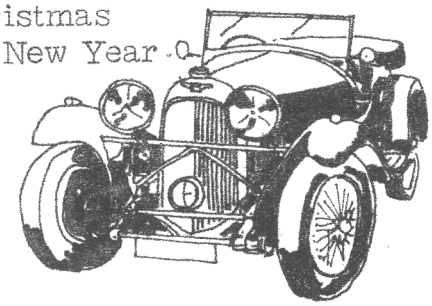

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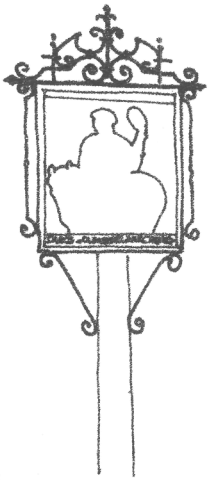

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If a fire broke out in an Oxford house today, it would be attended by a 20-year old fire engine, manned by soldiers aged about 18. They would have had a few hours' training, a few weeks' experience, and be equipped with a few hoses.

If a fire broke out in a Deddington house today, it would be attended by a modern fire engine, manned by trained part-time firemen. Theyhave had full training, and up to 20 years' experience. They would be equipped with hosereels, hoses, foam equipment, hydraulic jacking equipment, and breathing apparatus.

Deddington, like many other villages and small towns in Oxfordshire, is lucky. While full-time firemen are on strike, the part-timers are continuing to provide fire cover for their own areas. The reason for the strike is simple - the full-timers feel that they are worth more money for being experts in fire-fighting, chemicals, rescue techniques, first-aid, building construction, breathing apparatus, removing dead bodies and risking their own lives. At the moment a cook in Banbury Fire Station earns more than the man in charge of a fire engine.

The men are bitter - so, for the past few weeks, they've been on strike. They say they won't back down - they want a 30% rise, to bring them up to the national average wage of £78.60 a week, including 10% for their skills and training. But the Government, at the time of writing, won't offer more than 10%. As a result of their strike, fire stations at Banbury, Kidlington, The Slade, Rewley Road, Abingdon and Didcot are closed. The fire cover for the whole of Oxfordshire is being provided by half-a-dozen army 'Green Goddesses' - 20-year old machines with limited equipment - and 18 part-time stations.

Under normal conditions, the part-timers work very closely with the full-timers. They attend fires together, and co-operate fully with each other. Most of the part-timers appreciate the problems of their full-time colleagues, and feel that they should be paid more. But they are determined to continue working normally as far as possible. They have said that they will only attend fires in their own areas, and won't attend fires which would normally be handled by a full-time station. Before the strike began, part-timers at Thame issued a statement, saying that they felt their obligation to their own local community was too strong for them to join the strike. And that seems to be the attitude of most part-timers throughout the county.

In Deddington we have 10 part-time firemen, led by Sub-Officer Brian Franklin. Their normal jobs range from builder to butcher. They get paid for their fire-fighting work- but only when they actually turn out to a fire or an exercise. So their pay is variable - it works out at between a hundred and two hundred pounds a year. For this, they are on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. In the long, hot summer of 1976, this meant that they would spend many hours at a fire, get home, crawl into bed - and get turned out again half-an-hour later, to spend several more hours fighting a fire. And this went on for months. In a normal year, they'll attend about 150 calls to fires and accidents.

It's the road accidents which, according to our local firemen,are the worst. As one put it - "It's not so bad when they're dead, but when they're seriously injured and we have to get them out..... I hear the screams for days". They get regular training from full-time fire officers. At least one evening a week, they practise hose drills, ladder drills, and all the other techniques. They learn about chemical fires and how to recognise and deal with them. They learn first aid, and how to cut someone from a wrecked car without injuring themselves or the victim. They spend a week at a time training with breathing apparatus. When a man is accepted as a part-time firemen, he does hours of training before even being allowed to travel on the fire engine. They do it because they find it interesting, rewarding - and as a service to the community in which they live.

Normally, they are called out by a 999 call which is taken at Fire Headquarters in Kidlington. A girl in the control room presses a switch to sound the pocket 'bleepers' the men carry all the time. It used to be a siren, but that was discontinued in the summer of 1976, and the 'bleeper' system introduced. The men reckon that the fire engine can be manned by at least four part-timers, and on the move within two minutes of an alarm.

During the strike, however, Fire Headquarters is closed down. 999 calls go to Police Headquarters at Kidlington, where an officer telephones Deddington fire station. The part-timers are taking it in shifts to man that telephone 24 hours a day while the strike lasts. The duty part-timer then presses a button in the fire station which sets off his colleagues' bleepers, and they turn out as normal.

As the Deputy Chief Fire Officer for Oxfordshire, Mr. Chris Durrant told me....."We are extremely grateful to the part-timers for maintaining fire cover in their own areas. We know that, generally, they support the pay claim of the full-time men, but they feel that in villages and small towns, such as Deddington, there is a closeness to the community which is very acute." Oxfordshire County Council feel the same...."We have always had a very high regard indeed for the part-time firemen who turn out regardless at any hour of the day or night, often for long periods, and do regular jobs of work too."

I spoke to one of the full-time firemen, on picket duty outside one Oxford fire station, and asked him how he would react to working alongside part-timers when the strike is over. He said "When you're at a fire, it doesn't make any difference at all. We would just work together as we've always done." Both sides admit, however, that there is bound to be a certain amount of bitterness between full-timers who've been on strike, and part-timers who have continued to work. But perhaps it can all be summed up in the words of one man I spoke to, who I shall just say is a 'fireman'....."They can't do without us - we can't do without them".

In Deddington we are lucky. We have our own fire engine. As a two-year old girl said the other day, seeing it scream to a halt in the village, siren wailing and lights flashing - "That's not a fireman, daddy, it's the butcher!" She was slightly wrong - it <u>was</u> a fireman. And it <u>was</u> the butcher.

Deddington's part-time firemen are:- Sub-Officer Brian Franklin; Leading Firemen Brian Fuller and Albert Humphries; Firemen Richard Powell, Geoff Middleton, Christopher Smith, Clifford Harper, David Boss, John Haynes and Philip Pinfold.

Andrew Macgregor

DEDDINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA

Despite the bitter cold on 17 November, the Quiz evening at the Christopher Rawlins School, Adderbury, had a good audience, with a full row of children all very eager to supply answers. Middle Barton, with a team of master minds, came out top, with Deddington not too far behind.

There will be a Christmas entertainment in school for the children at 2.00 p.m. on Tuesday, 13 December, arranged by the P.T.A. A medieval Nativity Play and Carol Service will be held in the Church on Thursday, 15 December at 7.15 p.m.

In the week before Christmas we shall be carol-singing in the early evenings in Clifton, Deddington and Hempton with a welcome guest to join in with us - Father Christmas. Come out and join in too!

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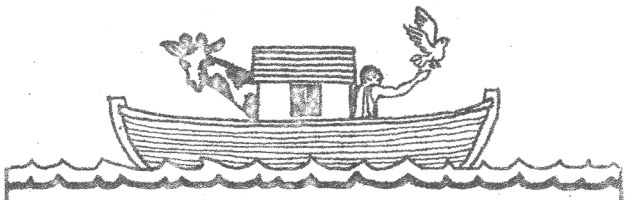

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Membership is £5.00, but why not come along as a Member's Guest (30p per night) to see if you like it? Contact Bob Scott (Treasurer) on Deddington 8910 or Cliff Smith (Chairman) Deddington 647.

Would Members (and anyone interested in joining) please attend a meeting at the Windmill School on Thursday 12th January at 8.0 p.m. to discuss arrangements for 1978.

JUNIOR BADMINTON CLUB

As you all know, many village children are now enjoying learning to play this game at classes organised by the Deddington Adult Education Committee. The tutor, Mrs. Rogers, who incidentally lives in Bloxham, has given her services free, and each week she does a valiant job in trying to keep the non-playing children in order, whilst teaching other children the techniques of the game.

It is clear that in having to do both, the amount of teaching is reduced and the children are not getting as much out of the classes as they should. I would therefore like to appeal for volunteers to help Mrs. Rogers. You need not be a badminton player, but if you are I am sure Mrs. Rogers would welcome your assistance.

The lessons take place every Thursday between 5.00 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. Please contact Mrs. Rogers on Banbury 720458.

Norman Drake, Chairman, Deddington Adult Education Committee

CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL

A Children's Service will be held on Sunday 18th December at 2.30 p.m. when the scholars will present a Christmas Tableau with appropriate carols and readings. A warm welcome awaits you.

Eddie Lines

WESLEYAN REFORM CHURCH

Saturday 10th December 6.0 p.m. In the Schoolroom, Church Street: The Sunday School Scholars will present a Christmas Play, entitled "Through the Christmas Window", followed by a buffet supper for the children. There will be a repeat of the play on Sunday, December 11th at 2.30 p.m. A warm welcome to all.

Christmas Day: Carol Service 11.0 a.m.

Doris Walker, Secretary

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DEDDINGTON BOWLS CLUB

By kind permission of Mr. and Mrs. Fuller, the A.G.M. of the Deddington Bowls Club was held at Earl's Court on the evening of November 8th with J. P. Scott in the chair.

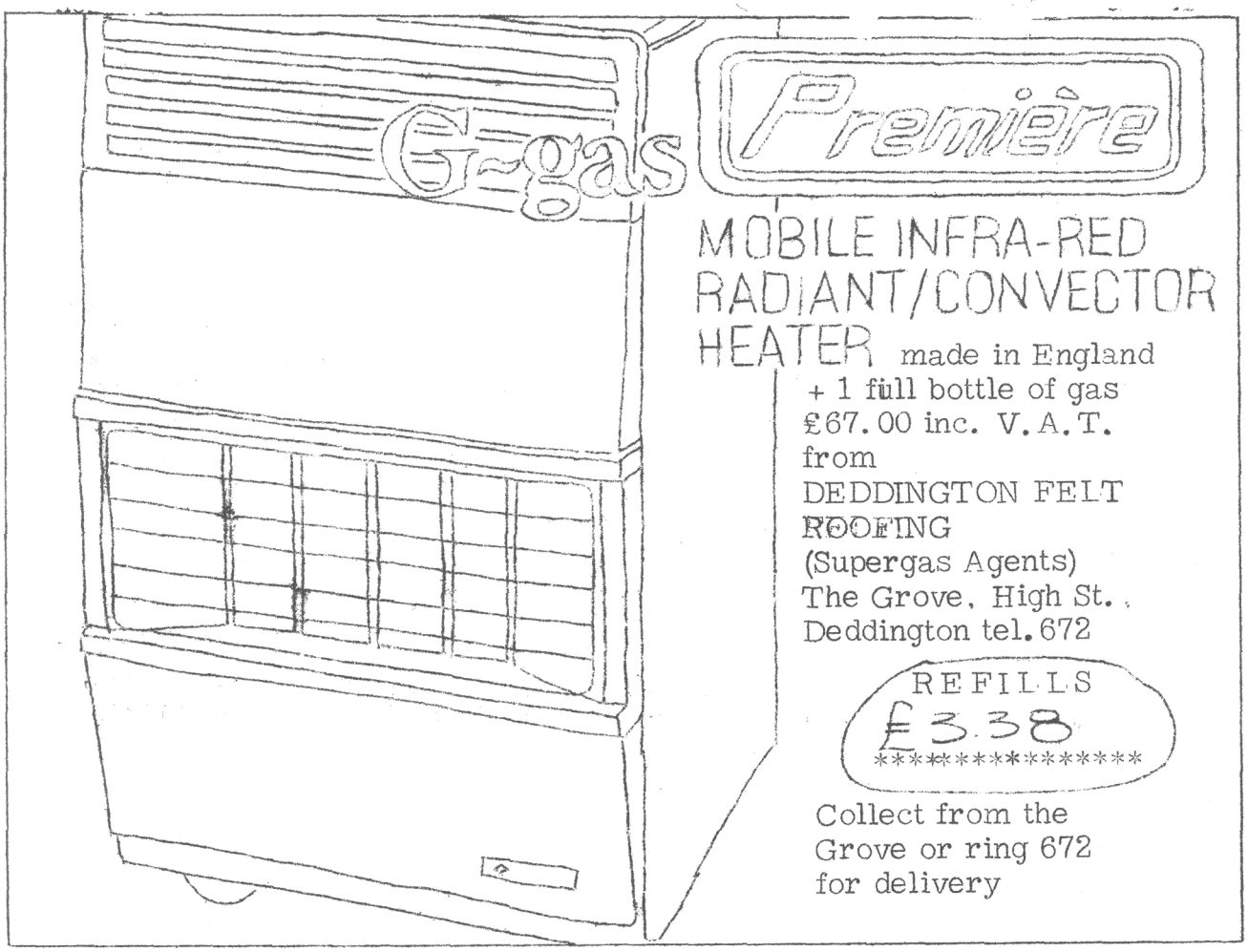
Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Fuller, F. J. Robins, J. P. Scott, E. Young, L. E. Hudson, F. T. Deely, T. P. Walker, A. Clarke, B. Hall, J. Humphreys, W. Minneau and F. N. Crofts.

J. M. French, who resigned from the posts of Secretary and Treasurer, was elected Patron and thanked for his many services to the Club. The following officers were elected: President - F. J. Robins; Vice-Presidents - J. P. Scott and F. T. Deely; Secretary and Treasurer - C. Fuller; Captain - B. Hall; Vice-Captain - W. Minneau; O.B.A. Representative - A. N. Basford.

The Secretary undertook to draw up the Fixture Card, in consultation with Messrs. French, Deely, and Scott. The newly-formed Chipping Norton Club had asked for a fixture.

County Competitions: The names of all who wished to enter were written on the entry form and will be forwarded. As the competitions for the Club Singles and Pairs Championships were not completed during the season, they will be played off at the beginning of next season. Mr. Deely was thanked for his continued care of the Green which has recovered from the drought of the previous season: and an honorarium was voted to him. Mrs. Fuller said that she would continue to organize the Raffles but would not be able to organize teas or refreshments in future. She was thanked for her long and efficient management of the arrangements for teas, and presents will be given to her and to all other ladies who have helped with the teas. The meeting closed with thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Fuller for their hospitality.

Frank Crofts



NOTES ON THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 23 NOVEMBER 1977

Road Salting: Oxfordshire County Council have supplied a map showing which local roads are to be salted in frosty weather. As this map does not show village centres, the Clerk is to check that the Market Place and Chapel Square areas are to be included. The Council is also asking that the Oxfordshire area stretch of the B4031 Deddington - Aynho road be treated, particularly over the Clifton bridges. The map is to be displayed on the Town Hall notice board for comments.

Carol Singing: Carol singing around the Christmas tree in the Market Place has been arranged on Wednesday 21st December at 7.30 p.m. A youth brass band has been engaged to provide musical accompaniment. Mr. Garrett asked the Council's permission for use of the Town Hall that evening and for use of electricity for the Christmas tree lights. Both were unanimously approved.

Burial Ground: Mr. Garrett reported that at a recent burial the map of the ground was not available, leading to a potentially delicate situation for the gravedigger. Councillors agreed to Mr. Garrett's suggestion that a copy of the map be lodged with him at the Post Office for use by funeral directors and the gravedigger. The Council meeting in September 1976 discussed a system of marking plots with a numbered plastic disc which would not be dislodged when the grass is cut. Such a system is widely used in other areas, and the Clerk is now to obtain a supply of these discs and the map brought up to date. The Chairman commented that the Council had not been businesslike over this matter in the past, but intended to put things right.

Town Hall Heating: Mrs. Pritchard, the caretaker, has been paying out her own money for the heater which is lit before Council meetings. Councillors agreed that a float be provided to feed the heater, which by general admission is pretty inadequate. By the end of the meeting the heater was cold and everyone was frozen.

St. Thomas Street Roadworks: Mr. Gardner reported that cable laying at the junction of St. Thomas Street and the A423 had been going on for over two months, During this time pedestrians coming from Chapmans Lane had been forced to walk in the road as no access had been left. Similarly a section of the road had on occasion been completely closed off, resulting in confusion and danger at the junction. A strong letter of protest is to be sent to the Oxford Telephone Manager asking for more consideration for those living near and pointing out that they are not entitled to close off the road.

Heavy Vehicles in Chapel Square: There is increasing danger to people and property from the longer and heavier articulated lorries trying to negotiate the bend in Chapel Square. It was agreed that the Council should press for a weight restriction on vehicles using the B4031 road through the Market Place.

Planning Applications:

1. Renewal of temporary permit for use of the Hempton Road ATC hut by the Playgroup - application very much recommended.
2. Techomes - amended application for 14 houses in Clifton (planning permission already granted) - no comment, although Mr. Gardner recorded his objection.

The next meeting is on Wednesday 14 December.

Mary Robinson

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DIARY FOR CHRISTMAS

December	3 :	Deddington Ladies Old Folks Christmas Party Holly Tree Club
	6 :	Brownies Christmas Entertainment Windmill Hall 5.45 p.m.
	8 :	Mothers Union Christmas Party Holly Tree Club 8.00 p.m.
	9 :	Scouts Country and Western Dance Barford Village Hall 8.30 p.m.
	10 :	Wesleyan Reform Church Christmas Play 6.00 p.m.
	11 :	Wesleyan Reform Church Christmas Play 2.30 p.m.
	11 :	Congregational Church Carol Service with Elizabeth Singers 6.00 p.m.
	12 :	Mother and Toddler Group Christmas Party Holly Tree Club 2.30 p.m.
	13 :	W. I. Christmas Party Holly Tree Club
	13 :	PTA Entertainment for Primary School Children 2.00 p.m.
	14 :	Parish Council meeting 7.00 p.m.
	15 :	Primary School Nativity Play and Carol Service Church 7.15 p.m.
	16 :	Playgroup Christmas Party 3.00 p.m.
	18 :	Congregational Sunday School Children's Service 2.30 p.m.
	18 :	Church Service of Lessons and Carols 10.30 a.m.
	18 :	Carol Service at Nether Worton 6.00 p.m.
	21 :	Carol Singing Market Place 7.30 p.m.
	24 :	Christmas Cracker Draw Post Office 12 noon
	24 :	Church Midnight Mass 11.30 p.m.
	25 :	Wesleyan Reform Church Carol Service 11.00 a.m.
	25 :	Church - Holy Communion 8.00 a.m. St. John's Hempton, Holy Communion 9.00 a.m. Church Carol Service 10.30 a.m.
	27 :	Treasure Trove Market Place 11.00 a.m.
January	2 :	Guides, Brownies and Cubs Pantomime Visit

If we are to maintain this healthy state there will need to be about 100 new jobs by the time the population reaches 2,000. Where can these jobs arise? There are the gaps mentioned - banking, chemist, hairdressing. Perhaps a new educational or social use may be found for the Windmill School site or maybe that will make way for additional housing. Farming is a stable industry which is unlikely to employ more. The hotels and catering etc. section can only expand a little in existing premises so unless a new establishment opens there is not likely to be great development. Small retail outlets are generally declining so we shall be lucky to retain what we have. Professional services will probably be fairly steady as increases in the private sector will be offset by decreases in the public sector - i.e. education with its declining numbers and health with its need to keep costs down. The building industry might employ more when the present crisis is over but most firms will be wary of overdoing things in view of past experiences. Garages and Transport can expand a little but high fuel prices are likely to be a restricting factor.

This leaves the manufacturing industries which is possibly where we must look for the greatest expansion. Nothing very large of course, but a continuation of the growth in cottage industries that has taken place in recent years. It would be nice to see a forge return to the village and perhaps some specialist clothing maker. In 1623 there were 9 tailors, 5 mercers, 4 glovers, 2 weavers, 1 fuller and 1 collar-maker! Some modern light industry such as we already have would also be welcome.

Any new enterprises, as well as existing ones, may well experience planning difficulties when the village is designated a conservation area, as it undoubtedly will be in due course. In 1974 the newly formed Cherwell District Council took over the Oxfordshire County Council's responsibility for formulating plans for new conservation areas. Several villages, including Adderbury and Bloxham, accepted the Council's proposals, Deddington Parish Council, however, opposed the plan to make 80% of the village a conservation area as it was thought that Deddington deserved to be treated as a whole unit - especially as the main part excluded was the part where local authority building had taken place and where further expansion is likely.

The past history of our County and District Councils is not over bright in conservation matters. It was made quite clear that no money would be available for improvements like the restoration of our timber framed town hall, although within the Civic Amenities Act (now incorporated into the Planning Act), there are provisions for grants. When the proposals come up again, it will be possible to consult other villages nearby to see how theyhave been affected and it must be hoped that this will coincide with an improved financial climate.

Years ago a trader's main concern was with the "Market" in which he sold his wares but today his survival is more dependent upon whether he can cope with the bureaucracy of central and local government. He must satisfy the Inland Revenue, the Customs and Excise (VAT), the Health Authorities, the Fire Service and all the Acts relating to employment, safety, price controls, planning, trade descriptions etc. etc. A large part of his turnover and much of his time will go on these matters and it may often be some small addition to the load which breaks the camel's back and forces a business to close. It was to help traders resist some of these pressures locally that the Deddington Chamber of Trade was formed two years ago. It is now affiliated to the National Chamber of Trade which is consulted by Government Departments when legislation is tabled.

Let us hope that in this Jubilee year the Queen will restrain her ministers from clogging the wheels of commerce, as trade has always been at the root of civilized living, and in return we will wish her another 25 years of peaceful reign.

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CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL

A most enjoyable evening was spent at the National Children's Homes Festival of Queens held at the Banbury Winter Gardens on Thursday 19th May, when our school was represented by Jacqueline Brain as Queen, accompanied by Claire Floyd and Lisa Brain as attendants. James Greenwood presented our gift of £12.00.

23 of our scholars competed in the 1977 National Christian Education Council scripture examination, the result of which was very rewarding, eleven scholars receiving Honours certificates and prizes, six merit certificates and prizes, three 1st class, one second, and two third class certificates. These were presented on Saturday, 21st May at a service held at Middleton Cheney Baptist Church followed by refreshments in the schoolroom. Full details will appear in the next issue of the News.

Eddie Lines

DEDDINGTON TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

On Monday 23rd May at Wroxton, Deddington defeated Bodicote 1 - 0 after extra time to win the Banbury Guardian Cup. Bill Garrett scored the winning goal, with only minutes of extra time left. On Thursday 26th May at Wroxton the same Deddington team took on Ruscote Sports in the Benevolent Cup Final and after a very hard game successfully defeated Ruscote by 3 goals to 2. Goal scorers for Deddington were B. Garrett, M. Stephenson and W. Keys (penalty).

Teams for both matches were:- R. Murray, B. Clarke, S. Coggins, P. Coleman (Captain), D. Coleman, J. Keys, W. Keys, K. Stephenson, M. Stephenson, B. Garrett, J. Beeny. Substitute: C. Franklin. Manager: P. Monaghan.

Banbury and District League:- After a hard season Bodicote Sports won the championship, with Deddington finishing in second place. Deddington also received the Runners-up Shield on Thursday after winning the Benevolent Cup.

The Deddington team celebrated the victories by visiting the Legion Club, King's Arms, and the Red Lion, where all were in good voice! Grateful thanks to Mr. W. G. Hayward for champagne and to the Red Lion for food. Congratulations and well done to all concerned with the Club in one of its most successful years.

R. Hayward (Vice-President)

THE RED LION ANNUAL CHARITY FOOTBALL MATCH

Many thanks to all those who supported the 'Lions' or the 'Pussycats' on the 15th May. They witnessed a unique football match and helped the players to raise £24. There will be a return match on Sunday 12th June at 3.0 p.m. at the Castle Grounds, so do go to support whichever team you fancy.

The Lions and Pussycats have decided to use the proceeds of the two matches and raffles for a special treat for Deddington over 60's. If you bought raffle tickets No's. 33 and 68 (Orange) or No's. 25 and 58 (White) at the last football match, hurry to the Red Lion as a prize awaits you.

Monica Sansome

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CHORAL SOCIETY CONCERT

The Programme for the Jubilee Concert to be given by the Deddington and District Choral Society on Wednesday June 8th at 7.30 p.m. in Deddington Parish Church.

Folk Songs:

1. The Lincolnshire Poacher — Men of Harlech
   Drink to me only — Ye Banks and Braes
   The Ash Grove

2. Organ Solo - Stephen Bell
   Sonata in A (1st movement) Mendelssohn

3. I was glad. Parry
   Zadok the Priest. Handel

4. Madrigals
   Non Nobis Domine. Byrd
   Jack and Joan. Thomas Campian

   Change then for Lo She Changeth. Wm. Holborne
   Your Shining Eyes. Thos. Bateson
   April is in my Mistress' face. Thos. Morley
   Never weather-beaters sail. Thos. Campian

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At our meeting in May, Mr. C. Neath, Senior probation officer for Banbury gave us a most interesting talk about his work. Previously the majority of us had no real idea just what the job of a Probation Officer was, and we were surprised at the great variety of work the job entailed.

Like everyone else in the village we find life is becoming increasingly hectic as we make preparations for the great celebrations. We all have our fingers crossed for a fine day on 7th June and bok forward to taking part in the fun.

There may be a limited number of seats for non-members for our Potato Pub coach trip on the evening of 15th June. If you are interested please contact Mrs. Pat Franklin, Earls Lane. Our next meeting at the Holly Tree Club will be on Wednesday 6th July, 8.00 p.m. when the speaker will be Mrs. Sue Baxter, from Banbury Technical College. The topic will be "Beauty and Make-up". All new members welcome.

Maggie Rampley, Secretary

1st DEDDINGTON GUIDES

Well, all preparations are under way for our float in the Carnival - amazing things Guides can do with fertilizer bags - all revealed on the "Great Day"!

Be warned! We are starting our 'Job Week' during half-term, but because of all Jubilee excitement, we have asked the girls not to start until Wednesday 8th June, continuing until Saturday 11th June. Please support us if you can.

Our company is now completely full- bulging at the seams. Because of this we have relieved some of the congestion by creating a new Patrol, making 6 Patrols in all. The girls chose their own name, "White Heathers" and they are all working well together. This new name inspired several other Patrols to change their names and confusion is now complete, with Swallows and Poppies replacing Thistles and Nightingales - I'm still learning which is which!

Enjoy the Jubilee Celebrations and please remember our Parade with Brownies, Scouts and Cubs on Sunday 5th June starting by Deddington School and marching down Earls Lane, towards Church, at 10.30 a.m.

Jenny Jones

P.S. If you would like to join 1st Deddington Guides, please ring to put your name on our waiting list, Deddington 444 or 8145.

DIARY OF EVENTS

June	8-11	Guides and Brownies Job Week
	12	Red Lion Return Charity Football Match
	14	W. I. Meeting "Care of the Mentally Handicapped Child"
	15	Deddington Ladies Potato Pub Coach Trip
z	16	Deanery Festival Wroxton
	18	Superstar Combined Final
	22	Parish Council Meeting
	28	Young Families Ploughman's Lunch
	30	Playgroup Coffee Evening
July	6	Deddington Ladies meeting: "Beauty and Make-up"
	9	Primary School Fete

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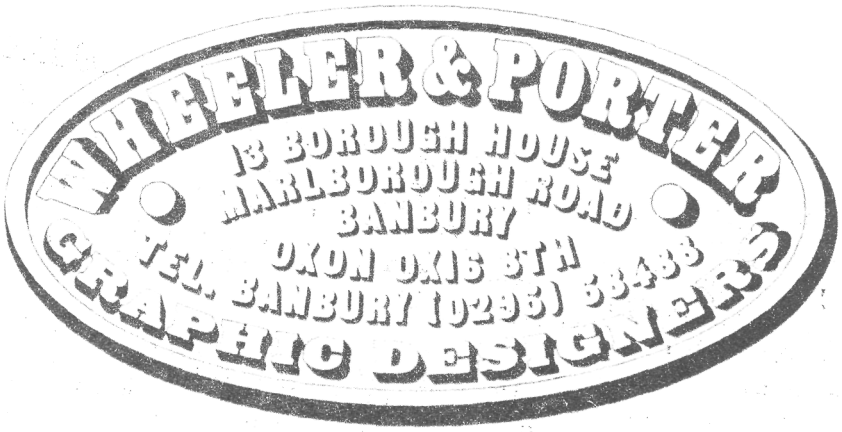

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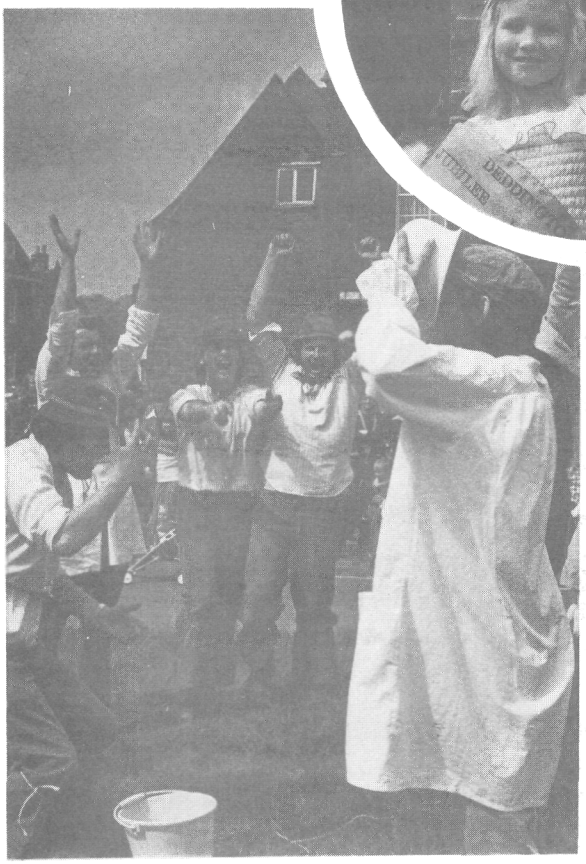
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